

By L. J. de Bekker

SPECTACULAR shooting of one Hindu by another in a San Francisco court last Tuesday recalled to the world the almost forgotten fact that one of the most grandiose of the farce-tragedies of the war has not quite been played out. The end is sordid enough, but the drama in the playing has brought death to thousands, from American jails to the slopes of the Himalayas. Its stage was set with all the romance and mystery of India and her amazing vases, and across the boards moved picturesque pawns with which the German Kaiser played for an empire.

Thirty-two men had been on trial since November 20 for violating the neutrality of America by plotting revolution against British rule in India-German consular officers, Indians and American business men.

The evidence was all in. Counsel for Secretary to Captain von Pape and the defendants had been heard, and the United States Attorney, John W. Preston, had just completed his closing argument. The bark of an automatic Ram Chandra, who had just left his chair, fell, shot through the heart. Two more bullets entered his body before it touched the floor.

defendant with Ram Chandra and for-merly his associate in publishing a revolutionary peace. As he will be a secondary to the only weapon left to use. his man he fired with the revolver held high above his head, the bullet breaking Ram Singh's neck.

Death Stalked Many Plotters

Murder or sudden death has not unby the Berlin Foreign Office to "call
off" Chandra's "violent publications."

Plotters who knew too much or were

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York's police bomb squad, testified that from the stricken districts of Turkey, he had been told of Wagel's request and also with a few of the refugees by Dr. Chandra K. Chakravarty, one themselves, I am appalled by the awful of the defendants, and that Chakra- plight of the mothers of Armenia, for knives and hatchets in the very grave survived long enough to meet their invarty admitted having received from theirs is the saddest story of all, in that they had dug for themselves; the tended fate, owing to the lust and crutheir own health decided that they Sassoun, others were drowned in the Herambra Lal Gupta, another defend- seems to have been forgotten and naant, had taken \$21,000 from Captain tions rise against nations.

been the directing mind for the plotconspirators in court on April 17 when he said: "I do not deny my relations

HINDU PAWNS LOST IN KAISER'S GAME OF EMPIRE

THE HINDU PLOTTERS AND THE MEN BEHIND THEM



WOLF VON IGEL. paymaster in the Hindu plot.

broke the silence of the courtroom, and of the United States has been good to name of patriotism. The government me. At the same time I realize that war has shaken the world to its centre. We have tried everything in India to

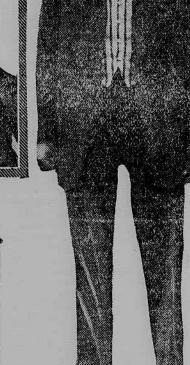
revolutionary paper. As he turned to tion in India, but not from these strike down another victim, his finger shores, by shipping arms and ammunipressed against the trigger, James B. tion to my countrymen. The govern-Holohan, United States marshal, fired ment would decorate me with powers over the heads of the panic-stricken I do not possess when it endeavors to spectators from the opposite side of the courtroom, instantly killing him.

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suspected of an inclination to talk. ciates," Dr. Chakravarty said, "that the jury that he personally did not have a Sometimes it may be pneumonia or Berlin Foreign Office was not pleased part in "putting on foot a military enother natural cause, as in the case of with their efforts. I endeavored to in- terprise," as charged by John W. Presthe Beautiful Turk; sometimes suicide, duce Chandra to discontinue publica- ton, United States Attorney.



RAM SINGH, U. S. Marshal after slaying Ram Chandra.

Dr. Chakravarty revealed for the first shooting Ram Chandra, and that only time the cause of the ill will existing between Ram Chandra, editor of the "Hindustan Gadar," and himself when he told the jury that he had been sent by the Berlin Foreign Office to "Carlo of his associates" of his associates



(Above)-CAPTAIN FRANZ VON PAPEN, Count von Bernstorff's military attaché and agent in dealing with the Hindus. (Below)-DR. ERNEST





mander of the steamer Holsatia, German merchantman interned at Honolulu; Captain Heinrich Elba, commander of the steamer Ahlers, German merchantman interned at Hilo, and Henry Kauffman, chancellor of the German consults.

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The bail of each Hindu defendant was fixed at \$25,000.

The remaining defendants and their bail were announced as follows:

J. Clyde Hysar, San Diego, Cal., City Attorney of Coronado, Cal., and former paymaster of the United States navel militia, \$15,000.

Joseph L. Bley, member of a local brokerage firm, \$15,000.

Bernard Manning, San Diego realtyman and politician, \$25,000.

Robert Capello, local agent of the North German Lloyd Stamship Company, \$25,000.

Harry J. Hart, wealthy San Francisco shipping broker, \$15,000.

Morris Stock von Goltzheim, local real estate and insurance man, \$25,000.

Louis J. Hengsstler, San Francisco admiralty lawyer, \$15,000.

So ends the great Hindu plot against Germany's enemies, born in the Wilhelmstrasse, nurtured in the United States, and with ramifications involving the Straits Settlements, the Philippines and Shanghai and other Chinese cities. In all probability its cost was greatly in excess of the \$20,000,000 originally demanded. Its immediate effect was the consolidation of production of product

willage they passed through they were mocked and jeered at by the rabble.

Among these unfortunates was a very young girl, who confided to a companion that she would never go back to town in her present condition. That night she leaped from a high cliff and ended her troubled life.

A teacher and missionary told me that wherever they went they found starvation and disease, and as a precaution against plague and typhus they always used quantities of camphor in their clothing.

Her trip through Asia Minor was a pichtmare never to be forgotten. It

CAPTAIN HANS TAUSCHER,

Krupp agent and prima donna's hus-

band, implicated in Hindu plot.

Lieutenant Wilhelm von Brincken, for-mer military attaché, all of San Fran-cisco, and Ram Chandra, editor of the "Hindustan Gadar" in San Francisco, were arranging for the shipment of arms and ammunition purchased in New York City by Hans Tauscher, husband of Mme. Johanna Gadski, grand opera star.

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the price actually was is a matter of ple, the grossness of which has never dispute, but according to testimony been equalled in the history of the brought out at the San Francisco trial world. These reports of the deportaon December 31 last Srinivas R. tion are so horrible that they chal-Wagel, an Indian well known in New lenge belief, but upon investigation I York, had asked Count von Bernstorff find that far from being exaggerated they have been modified in publication, some of the facts being too repulsive to put into print.

After talking with many physicians Thomas L. Tunney, head of New and missionaries recently returned Wolf von Igel \$60,000, and said that these dark days when brotherly love rest were shot or bayonetted.

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the refugees to take with them even the barest necessities.

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